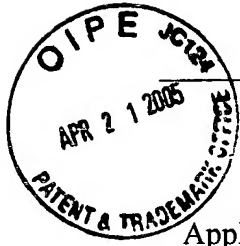


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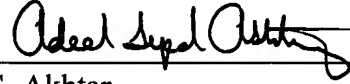
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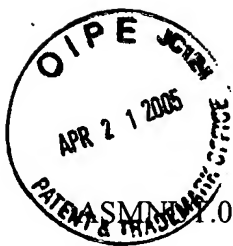
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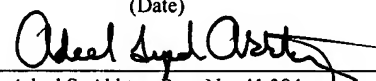
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on February 8, 2005, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Summary of Interview begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.